

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A communications controller is provided for empowering the user of a communications device, such as a telephone or other device, to assume control over incoming communications. This communications controller is based on artificial intelligence and behavior modeling techniques. Each communication is identified by unique identification information associated with an incoming communication. The user selects one of a plurality of different priority rating levels for a particular communication. The user also selects or infers block time intervals for each priority to indicate times during which incoming communication is not desired. Dynamic communications control is achieved by also determining the mood of the user or mode of the device. Undesirable communications will be "blocked". For example, when that particular caller places a call to the user, the user's communication controller determines the caller's identification information and recalls the priority and corresponding blocking time interval for that particular caller. The user's mood or the mode of the communications device is determined. The call is accordingly passed to the communication device or blocked.